



Our five first-year students wish to share with you something of their experiences which have led them into the Church Army College. Also, one of the New Zealand students shares some thoughts as he tackles his second-year of studies.

CHALLENGED. When a Church Army Sister talked to our Ladies Fellowship Group meeting it never occurred to me that this was going to influence my future. However God used that contact with the Church Army to challenge me about fulltime service for Him. Although I wanted to serve God I was afraid of what my friends would think and other problems arose which made it easy to put off responding to God's call.

When I finally put in my application I comforted myself with the thought that life would not change too much. My job in the Policy Administration Department of a Life Insurance Company kept me busy at an office desk but now I not only spend time in lectures but also in study and doing practical work, all of which is very demanding.

Church Army training is hard work but very satisfying and I find the fellowship and fun of community living a source of strength and joy.

LORRAINE DORRINGTON,
Canley Vale, N.S.W.

THE REALIZATION. Since making my decision for Christ I have taken an active part in Church life through Sunday School teaching, Young

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People's Groups and playing the organ for church services.

To further my musical knowledge and experience I became the organist at Saint Matthew's Church, Park Avenue. It was there that I was introduced to the Church Army through meeting a Captain who had recently been appointed to the diocese and who was working on the staff of a local Church Home for boys.

From then on I began to ask myself the question, "Am I doing all I can for God?" This was the first realisation that I was being called into full-time service, and in the following months I became convinced that I was called to serve God in the Church Army.

At first I was unwilling to go because for me it meant leaving a well paid position, security and an interesting career with the P.M.G. Department. It was not until I put my complete trust in God that I was able to say "Yes Lord, I will go."

Now I am in College I look forward to learning more of the work and becoming more involved in sharing my faith with others.

GRAHAM MILLAR,
Rockhamton, Qld.

NO DOUBT. For as long as I can remember God has always been part of my life but in my seventeenth year I came to realise my need of Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour. Then by God's grace I was born again and began a new life with Him.

In the course of this new life I met Lyn who is

Plenty of musical talent

BACK: LORRAINE DORRINGTON, DAVID PASK (N.Z.),
KEVIN CULLEN, RICHARD DYER (N.Z.)
FRONT: JOSIE LESLIE, TERRY & LORRAINE O'NEIL,
GRAHAM MILLAR



now my wife and God has blessed us with a son we named Anthony and who is now five-and-a-half years of age.

Only last year the challenge of Church Army work came to me through a deputation service in my home church. God the Holy Spirit left Lyn and I in no doubt that this was His will for our lives.

Joining the Church Army meant leaving my job as a truck driver and in order to make this possible Lyn commenced working in Wollongong to support Anthony and me and to keep our home going.

God has sealed His call by meeting our needs and we praise Him for this.

KEVIN J. CULLEN,
Fairy Meadow, N.S.W.

TRAINING TOGETHER. Shortly after my conversion at the 1969 Billy Graham Crusade in Melbourne I knew God was calling me into full-time work.

Working with the P.M.G. Department involved me in further study and training for promotion but all the time I was seeking for the opening God had for me. Another step in my preparation was my marriage to Lorraine in 1971 and together we sought God's plan for our lives.

The Church Army was suggested to us as an avenue of service but at that time we knew nothing about the Society or anyone who could help us. Soon afterwards we spent a weekend at the Avalon Community where we met a Church Army Sister who had recently come to work in the area from Sydney. Her ability to communicate the joy and purpose of the Christian life made a deep impression and we soon learned about the Church Army.

After receiving information and meeting other officers we applied for training believing that God would open the door for us if it proved to be His will. When the time came to sign the final application form it proved to be a real challenge. I had to decide between obedience to God through fully committing myself to Him or continuing to go my own way. The answer came to me through Psalm 95 "Today if you will hear My voice harden not your heart." For me this was the Lord saying again "Follow me." Since responding I have discovered through various experiences that I am now walking in His will.

TERRY O'NEILL,
Melbourne, Vic.

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NEWS IN BRIEF . . .

NEW APPOINTMENTS: These are usually taken up at the beginning of the year and this year has been no exception with six Officers moving to new work. You may be interested to know where these Officers are now serving.

Captain Bob Eland — did some of his practical training during his second year in College at the Sydney City Mission's Community Centre at Green Valley. Therefore, when a full-time Youth Worker was needed for the permanent staff at the beginning of the year, it seemed an obvious appointment for Bob with his experience and proven ability in youth work.

Captain Ron King — took up his first appointment early in February as Parish Evangelist at Erskineville in Sydney. In this inner-city area he is finding plenty of scope for his evangelistic skills and energy.

Captain Brian Mattinson — After six years as a Field Officer with the Church of England Immigration Department in the Sydney Diocese, he has

moved into parish work again and has joined the staff of St. Peter's, Campbelltown near Sydney. This is a rapidly growing area containing large numbers of British migrants, so in this situation Captain Mattinson's past experience will prove invaluable.

Captain Alan Polgen — is now living at "Tranby," the College of the Co-operatives for Aborigines, where he assists with chaplaincy duties. He is also an associate member of the parish staff at Christ Church, Sydney with special responsibility for contacting his fellow Aboriginal people in the city area and through hospital visiting.

Captain Michael Tobin — has moved from the parish of Junee where his main work has been among young people, to become Parish Evangelist at Cootamundra.

Captain Ron Wallis — After serving in Sydney as a Parish Evangelist for two years, has moved to another Sydney parish, Holy Trinity, Kingsford. In his new parish he is well placed for continuing his visits to Long Bay Gaol in preparation for possible future work among men on their release from prison.

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CHURCH ARMY ANNUAL FETE

Saturday, 5th May, 1973

10 a.m. to 2.30 p.m.

AT THE FEDERAL OFFICE AND TRAINING COLLEGE
WYATT AVENUE, BELROSE

The Sydney Women's Auxiliary would be glad to receive gifts of home cooking — cakes, sweets and preserves. Also plants, groceries, vegetables and white elephant gifts would be welcome. Goods and helpers urgently needed to ensure a bumper Fete. Please write or telephone (452-1873) Mrs. Gwilt.

YOUTH CONVENTION

Captain Ken Donaldson

The University of New South Wales was an exciting place to be at during the first week of January, '73, when the 97 delegates to the 5th National Anglican Youth Convention gathered from all over Australia as well as from New Zealand and Fiji. I was the delegate from Western Australia.

SHARING AND CARING

It was no secret that the benefits of National Youth Conventions were being questioned, and maybe Sydney '73 would see the end of them. That's not what we saw. Instead, we believe we saw a beginning of something that is long overdue in the Anglican Communion and increasingly important in all Christian denominations.

During that week, Anglicans of all shades and backgrounds, shared and cared together in Christian community. A problem for one, became our problem, a burden for one became our burden. There was no individual who could have felt excluded. Our lives were corporate, we were one in Christ.

THE PROGRAMME

All this didn't just happen, it wasn't magical. A lot of prayer, hard work and determination had prepared the way, and God blessed accordingly. The programme was well balanced with work sessions and times of relaxation; the opportunities to take in and the times to give out.

The Bible studies were in the capable hands of Doctor Leon Morris, The Very Rev. Peter Newall and The Rev. David Hewetson. They stretched many minds to a fuller, deeper understanding of God's Word.

Workshops of Drama, Music, Writing and Art, Leadership, Human Relationships and Communication, provided opportunities to share and learn on deeper levels in small groups.

After dinner speakers presented subjects of current controversy, e.g. Mrs. Faith Bandler spoke about Aboriginal land rights. The delegates were challenged to make decisions on issues that are not always seen as areas of Christian concern.

However, it wasn't all work. Excursions and trips allowed visitors a chance to see the sights, and theatre parties were arranged for "Jesus Christ Superstar" and "Godspell."

The informality of the week took its lead from the Chairman, Bishop David Hand, of New Guinea. He was a true pastor to those present and his willingness to share himself, and the devotionals he led, did much to enhance the spiritual tone of the convention.

THE BENEFITS

The immediate benefits of the convention to the delegates would be, the knowledge they gained from the workshops and from each other; the deeper understanding of God's Word; the fellowship experienced in sharing Christ, and the enthusiasm for action which they carried back with them to their parishes.

My own particular highlights were, participating in the Jesus Musical "Bread" as part of the drama workshop; speaking to the convention about The Church Army at one of the evening sessions; being interviewed on radio about the convention; also meeting the other delegates and the sharing of our experiences.

Yes, it was an exciting week at the University of New South Wales in the first week of January '73. The place to be in two years time, if you are young or interested in Christian youth work, will be wherever the next National Anglican Youth Convention takes place in January, '75.

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The Church Army was founded in England in 1882 by Prebendary Wilson Carlile. It is a lay society of men and women Evangelists of the Anglican Communion. Other autonomous societies were founded in the U.S.A. in 1927, Canada 1928, Australia 1934, New Zealand 1935, Eastern Africa 1962, Jamaica 1969. Officers from some of these societies are also at work in Germany, South America, Malaysia, South Africa, British Honduras, Cyprus, Holland and West Pakistan.

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